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CANCEL CLAIMS 1-9

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9. (Canceled)

10. (Currently Amended) A method according to claim 17, further comprising the step of:

evaluating an Intelligent Network Application Part (INAP) part of a signaling message part of the IN query for a determination of a to determine the network operator.

11. (Currently Amended) A method according to claim 17, further comprising the step of:

evaluating a Signaling Connection Control Part (SCCP) part of a signaling message part of the IN query for a determination of a to determine the network operator.

12. (Currently Amended) A method according to claim 17, wherein said the IN query is being transmitted by utilizing a signaling system no. 7.

13. (Currently Amended) A method according to claim 17, wherein said the IN query is being transmitted by utilizing an Internet Protocol (IP) based network.

14. (Currently Amended) A method according to claim 10, further comprising the steps of:

responding to the IN query via a ~~Number Portability~~ the NP server stating [a] routing information relating to a gateway of the net[ ]work operator; provided that the received IN call is not being initiated in the a basic network based on the intelligent network, and if so; passing the received IN call to said the gateway.

15. (Currently Amended) A system for handling a network call, comprising:  
a server;  
a switching center;  
an intelligent network (IN) with a service platform; and  
a basic network being based on the intelligent network;

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~~said the server receiving an IN query from the switching center of the basic network,~~  
~~said the IN query relating to a call received by the basic network, said the server utilizing~~  
~~information contained in the IN query for determining whether the intelligent network~~  
~~supports the call, and if so, said the server passing the IN query to the service platform;~~  
~~wherein the IN query appears to the switching center to be sent directly to the service~~  
~~platform, and wherein the IN query is not sent to the NP server via the service platform.~~

16. (Currently Amended) A system according to claim 15, further comprising the step of:

responding via the server to the IN query by stating routing information relating to a gateway in the basic network provided that the call is not being initiated in the basic network.

17. (Currently Amended) A method for handling intelligent network (IN) calls from a first identified by a switching center having a Service Switching Point (SSP) functionality, the method comprising the steps of:

providing an IN query in the first switching center relating to an IN call after identifying the IN call;

~~sending receiving the IN query in to a second server, known as an~~ number portability (NP) server, wherein the IN query appears to the switching center to be sent directly to a service platform having Service Control Point (SCP) functionality, and wherein the IN query is not sent to the NP server via the service platform;

utilizing the IN query in the NP server to determine which a network operator is supporting the IN call; and

passing the IN query to a service platform of a third server having associated with an intelligent network of the network operator so that the IN query appears to the service platform to come from the first switching center.

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